Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0032 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. 31132.196 Attorney Docket No. UTILITY Greg Marik PATENT APPLICATION First Inventor Constrained Artificial Implant for  $\alpha$ TRANSMITTAL ഗ Title Orthopaedic Applications EV333436661US (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) Express Mail Label No. Mail Stop Patent Application APPLICATION ELEMENTS Commissioner for Patents ADDRESS TO: P.O. Box 1450 See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents. Alexandria VA 22313-1450 CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) (Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing) Computer Program (Appendix) Applicant claims small entity status. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission See 37 CFR 1.27. (if applicable, all necessary) 3. Total Pages\_ Specification 21 Computer Readable Form (CRF) (preferred arrangement set forth below) - Descriptive title of the invention Specification Sequence Listing on: b. - Cross Reference to Related Applications - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix Paper - Background of the Invention - Brief Summary of the Invention c. Statements verifying identity of above copies - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) - Detailed Description ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS - Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) Power of Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets \_ 10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) Attorney 5. Oath or Declaration Total Sheets 11. English Translation Document (if applicable) a. Newly executed (original or copy) Information Disclosure Copies of IDS Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) 13. E **Preliminary Amendment** (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed) Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) 14. (Should be specifically itemized) **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)** Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) 15. Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) (if foreign priority is claimed) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). 16. Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent. 6. V Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 17. 🗹 Other: Express Mail Certificate Check for \$964.00 18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76: Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: ..... 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts. 19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS  $\square$ 000027683 OR Correspondence address below Customer Number: Name Haynes and Boone, LLP Address

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.53(b). The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

State

Texas

Telephone 972 739-8635

Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)

Zip Code

Fax

42.044

75202

March 23, 2004

214-200-0853

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.

City

Country

Signature

Name (Print/Type)

901 Main Street, Suite 3100

Dallas

David M.

USA

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0032 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number Complete if Known FEE TRANSMITTAL Application Number for FY 2004 Filing Date Greg Marik First Named Inventor Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision. **Examiner Name** Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27 Art Unit TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 964.00 31132.196 Attorney Docket No. METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply) FEE CALCULATION (continued) 3. ADDITIONAL FEES Money ✔ Check Credit card Other None Large Entity | Small Entity Deposit Account: Fee Fee Description Deposit Code (\$) Code (\$) Fee Paid 08-1394 Account 1051 130 2051 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath Number Deposit Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or 2052 1052 50 25 Haynes and Boone, LLP Account cover sheet Name 1053 130 1053 130 Non-English specification The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply) 1812 2,520 1812 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination ✔ Credit any overpayments Charge fee(s) indicated below 1804 920 1804 920\* Requesting publication of SIR prior to ✓ Charge any additional fee(s) or any underpayment of fee(s) Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee 1805 1,840 1805 1,840\* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action to the above-identified deposit account. 110 2251 Extension for reply within first month **FEE CALCULATION** 210 Extension for reply within second month 1252 420 2252 1. BASIC FILING FEE 1253 950 2253 475 Extension for reply within third month arge Entity Small Entity Fee Paid Fee Fee Description 740 Extension for reply within fourth month 1254 1.480 2254 Code (\$) Code (\$) 1,005 Extension for reply within fifth month 1255 2,010 2255 1001 770 2001 385 Utility filing fee 770.00 1401 330 2401 165 Notice of Appeal 1002 340 2002 170 Design filing fee 165 Filing a brief in support of an appeal 330 2402 2003 265 1402 1003 530 Plant filing fee 1403 290 2403 145 Request for oral hearing 1004 770 2004 385 Reissue filing fee 1451 1,510 1451 1005 160 2005 80 Provisional filing fee 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding 1452 110 2452 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 770.00 1453 1,330 2453 665 Petition to revive - unintentional 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE 1501 1,330 2501 665 Utility issue fee (or reissue) Fee from Extra Claims 1502 480 2502 below 240 Design issue fee **Total Claims** x 18 108.00 -20\*\* = |6 1503 640 2503 320 Plant issue fee independent 4 x 86 86.00 1460 130 1460 130 Petitions to the Commissioner Multiple Dependent 1807 50 1807 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q) Large Entity Small Entity 1806 180 1806 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt Fee Fee Fee Description 40 Recording each patent assignment per Code (\$) Code (\$) 40 8021 8021 property (times number of properties) Claims in excess of 20 1202 2202 18 9 385 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) 770 1809 2809 1201 86 2201 43 Independent claims in excess of 3 1203 290 2203 145 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid 1810 770 2810 385 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) 1204 86 \*\* Reissue independent claims 2204 over original patent 1801 770 2801 Request for Continued Examination (RCE) 1802 900 1205 \*\* Reissue claims in excess of 20 1802 900 Request for expedited examination 18 2205 9 and over original patent of a design application Other fee (specify) J(\$) 194.00

SUBMITTED BY (Complete (if applicable)) Registration No. Name (Print/Type) David M. O'Dell 42.044 Telephone 972 739-8635 Signature Date March 23, 2004

> WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.27. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

\*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (2)

\*\*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

(\$) 0.00

SUBTOTAL (3)

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Marik et al

S

Customer No. 27683

Serial No. Unknown

Filed: Herewith

For: CONSTRAINED ARTIFICIAL
IMPLANT FOR ORTHOPAEDIC
APPLICATIONS

Attorney Docket No. 31132.196 / PC1006.00

S

Customer No. 27683

Group Art Unit: Unknown

Examiner: Unknown

Examiner: Unknown

## **EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE**

Mail Stop Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

I hereby certify that the following attached papers and fee:

- 1. Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form and Fee Transmittal Form (in duplicate);
- 2. Patent Application consisting of 21 pages of specification, 26 claims and 1 page Abstract of Disclosure;
- 3. Seven (7) drawing sheets;
- 4. Application Data Sheet;
- 5. Executed Power of Attorney;
- 6. Declaration;
- 7. Check in the amount of \$964.00 for the filing fee;
- 8. Express Mail Certificate; and
- 9. Return Postcard

are being deposited with United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" via **Express Mail Number: EV333436661US** to the Commissioner for Patents, Box Patent Application, Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450, on the **23<sup>rd</sup> day of March**, **2004**.

Gayle Conner

Typed or Printed Name

Signature